# **INMATE ACCUSES U.S. OF PRISON TORTURE, PG4**







#### City set to host 2010 Grey Cup

SPORTS The 2010 Grey Cup game is coming to Alberta's capital.

The Edmonton Eskimos are expected to reveal the location today during a "major announcement" news conference at Commonwealth Stadium.

Alberta Premier Ed Stelmach, Mayor Stephen Mandel and CFL commissioner Mark Cohon are expected to take part in the announcement.

The last time Edmonton hosted the Grey Cup Game was in 2002 when the Esks dropped a 25-16 defeat to Montreal.

This year's game will be held in Calgary.

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economic storm? Now through the end of March, Metro will share advice on your way through the re-cession.

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#### Weather Riding in a wonderland of snow



Sue Lambert rides her bike up the path from the Kinsmen Park yesterday. Edmonton has been hit with a recent spate of frigid weather accompanied by flurries.

# Lucy's famous friend

### Game show host Barker wants move for Edmonton elephant

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A famous former game show host says he's willing to fly to Edmonton to fight its city hall and staff at the Valley Zoo in order to free a sick elephant.

Bob Barker, best known as the longtime host of The Price Is Right, says Lucy — an Asian elephant at the zoo — must be transferred to a sanctuary in Tennessee as she continues to suffer from arthritis, foot abscesses and respiratory problems.

"The sooner (they get her out) the better and I think

she's in terrible shape up there," said Barker in a telephone interview with Metro. "I am going to do everything that I am asked to do on this ... and if it requires Bob Barker

me to come to Edmonton, I would gladly go to speak out."

Lucy, the 33-year-old elephant, was born and captured in Sri Lanka. She has been living at the zoo for

most of her life.

Staff at the zoo, including operations manager Dean

Treichel, said moving Lucy out of the zoo would add more risk to her health.

"If we moved her, there's a very high likelihood that she'll die," Treichel said in an earlier interview with Metro.

But Barker, a longtime animal rights activist, says Edmonton's winter is forcing Lucy to stay indoors alone for six months of the year — something that's

detrimental to her mental health.

"She's so alone and elephants are very social animals," Barker said. "She should live the way mother nature intended."

Barker has urged city council in a letter to transfer the elephant — something that's welcome news to a local animal rights

"This raises the profile of this (problem) and our only concern has been for Lucy this whole time," said Tove Reece, of Voice For Ani-

### Stabbed man was mistaken for someone else: Girlfriend

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The girlfriend of a man killed over the weekend claims his death was a result of mistaken identity.

"He was walking out, and there was a group of angry people outside waiting for someone else," Amina Khiat said yesterday from her home in Windsor, Ont. "He tried to stop a fight — they thought he was someone else. Apparently, these guys were just furious.'

Brendan McNaughton's body was discovered outside the Nu Wave Pub on 182 Street and 89 Avenue early Saturday morning, dead of an apparent stab wound, police said.

Khiat received details of McNaughton's death from his closest friends, she said, though her intuition screamed he was in danger around the time his body was found.

"I knew something happened to him," she said, after he didn't respond to six text messages. "It just wasn't like him — I could feel something was wrong with him.'

Khiat, 19, met and fell in love with McNaughton, 21, while on vacation in Edmonton over Christmas. She was planning to return on March 16, before moving to Alberta permanently this summer.

Jayden Jeffery Zylinski, 19, was charged with second-degree murder in connection with the incident.

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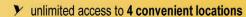


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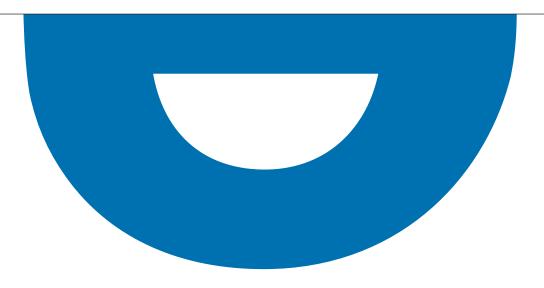






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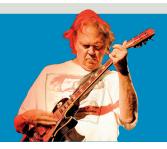
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BANFF Cascade Plaza CALGARY High-profile Edmontonians weighed in on the City Centre Airport debate yesterday, by sending a letter to city council, strongly protesting the proposed tear-down of the airport. Members of the Alberta Enterprise group include Oilers executive Cal Nichols, who said team players often use the airport to travel to and from smaller communities. METRO EDMONTON

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# Local



## Young rockin' at Rexall

Canadian rock icon Neil Young, left, is set to take the Rexall stage April 23. Tickets for the show range from \$55 to \$175 and go on sale Saturday through Ticketmaster. METRO EDMONTON





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# RCMP look into suspicious death

WESTASKIWIN Mounties in Wetaskiwin are investigating a suspicious death, after a man was found unresponsive outside a rural home yesterday.

Police received a call at 12:40 a.m., with a report a 45-year-old victim was laying dead outside the home on Highway 795 near Highway 13. The death is being treated as suspicious, and may be ruled homicide, pending results of an autopsy set for this week.

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# **Hockey Night in Croatia**

Donnan School plays host to Eastern European players

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It has been Hockey Night from Croatia every day this week for roughly 30 young players from that country as they experience what life is like in a hockey-crazed city like Edmonton.

Ten to 12-year-old players with the KHL Mladost hockey club have been lacing up their skates every day to learn about how the game is played in Canada this week, including playing two exhibition tilts with the Donnan School's hockey program yesterday.

"This is a huge experience for the kids and it's an award for them because they want to be good hockey players, but unfortunately the situation is not as nice as it is in Canada," coach Renato Kriksic said.

"We have good talent, but usually if the kids are good when they are 14, they leave the country to play in Russia or Austria."

Dan Auchenberg, a campus director with Donnan



Head coach of team Croatia, Janjatovic Dusko, left, on the bench with his players during the first of two exhibition games at the Donnan arena, yesterday afternoon. This is the second year the Donnan School has hosted a team of 10- to 12-year-olds from Croatia to play hockey.

School, says Grade 6 students with the school's hockey program are also getting a taste of Croatian culture during the visit.

"They are a challenging team and you can see they definitely have a passion for the game," said Auchenberg about the Croatian players.

"You can tell they really model themselves with players in the NHL." "It's fun to play with teams of other parts of the world, and I want to see how they can play," said Josh Hayden, an 11-yearold left winger from Donnan School.

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CONTEST Local applicants gunning for the most sought-after job on the

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Tourism Queensland's
Great Barrier Reef caretaker position officially closed
Sunday, leaving Brisbane
staff with 34,648 videos to
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"There are so many applications that came in last-minute — some of them are really good," said local hopeful Linda Hoang.

Last-minute entrants included Metro blogger Stephanie Brown, who revealed her video to the world at the zero hour.

"I almost lost my shot at winning by submitting my video at the last minute because of technical errors, which was terrifying ... it gave me enough time to really immerse myself in every stage of the contest by writing about its progress and scoping out the competition," Brown said.

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'Métis Prince' dies

Joe Mercredi, an aboriginal advocate, former newspaper publisher, and historian in the Northwest Territories, died over the weekend, CBC.ca reports. He was 71. Often referred to as the "Métis Prince," Mercredi founded the original Northwest Territory Métis Association in 1970. METRO NEWS SERVICES

# Canada/World

#### **News** in brief

COURTS First Nations leader David Ahenakew, 75, who called Jews a "disease" was found not guilty yesterday of willfully promoting hatred, but the judge said the comments were "revolting, disgusting and untrue."

LABOUR The federal government intends to bring in new regulations to punish employers who exploit foreign workers by forcing them to toil in poor working conditions for low pay. The new rules would prevent employers with repeated violations of labour laws from being allowed to bring in foreign workers, Immigration Minister Jason Kenney said.

INQUIRY An RCMP officer who had confronted Polish immigrant Robert Dziekanski the night he died after being Tasered by police at Vancouver airport testified yesterday that he feared for his safety, CBC.ca reports.

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# PM: Crisis hinges on U.S. Detainee blasts

Prime Minister Stephen Harper, voicing deep concern about the financial system in the United States and other countries, said yesterday he could not see how the current recession can end until they are fixed.

"We're obviously all hugely worried about the American financial system and about the financial system of some other countries," the Conservative leader said in an interview in New York with Fox News.

"Frankly ... until that problem gets fixed, it's hard for me to see how we're going to turn the corner on this recession that we're in now."

He also said Canada did not have the same financial sector problems as in the United States.

"We haven't had to bail



Prime Minister Stephen Harper, left, meets with United Nations Secretary General Ban Ki-moon at the UN Headquarters in New York yesterday.

out any of our financial institutions. We don't have the mortgage problem. Certainly, we have a downturn in our housing sector, but it's not structural. There will be no government bailout of mortgages in Canada," the prime minister said.

# Detainee blasts U.S. over torture

A British resident held at Guantanamo Bay for more than four years returned to Britain a free man yesterday and accused the U.S. government of inflicting "medieval" torture on him — with British collusion.

Binyam Mohamed, an Ethiopian citizen with British residence, was re-

turned on a charter flight after the U.S. government agreed last week to a British request to free him. charges against him results after the U.S. "I have been through an experience that I never thought to encounter in my darkest nightmares."

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never tried.

Mohamed, 30, said he was "neither physically nor mentally capable" of facing the media after nearly seven years in captivity, but in a statement he denounced the actions of the U.S. government.

"I have been through an experience that I never thought to encounter in my darkest nightmares,"

the statement read.

"It is difficult for me to believe that I was abducted, hauled from one country to the next, and tortured in medieval ways all orchestrated by the United States government."

Mohamed began his detention in April 2002 when he was seized at an airport

in Pakistan for trying to travel on a friend's passport.

He was held for four months, during which time he said he was tortured and abused by intelligence

Pakistani intelligence agents in the presence of British intelligence officers.

In July 2002, he said he was taken to Morocco on a CIA plane and again tortured and abused for 18 months before a transfer to Afghanistan and then finally to Guantanamo Bay in September 2004.

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# Colombian 'narco-subs' running cocaine to U.S.

DRUGS Packed with cocaine and grimly christened "coffins," sleek jungle-built submarines are steaming their way north from Colombia through Pacific waters to deliver tons of illegal drugs headed for the U.S. market.

Skimming just below the water line, with only a glimpse of a glass-enclosed cockpit or metal tubes visible from above, the semisubmersibles are the latest

shipment method used by trafficking cartels to try to elude detection by authori-

It is estimated that some 60 to 75 of the fibreglass vessels, also known as "narco-subs" and capable of carrying upward of eight tons of cocaine when fully loaded, are built in clandestine jungle shipyards in northwest Colombia every year.

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#### **News** in brief

SUSPECTS Egyptian police have detained 11 people for questioning about the bomb that killed a French teenager and wounded at least 21 people near a popular tourist bazaar in Cairo on Sunday.

CHINA Public servants in the gritty central Chinese city of Zhengzhou should not sport "unnatural hairstyles" or wear

clothes that are too colourful, according to new regulations.

WASHINGTON President
Barack Obama pledged yesterday to cut the ballooning U.S. budget deficit of \$1.3 trillion
US by half in the next four years and said the country would face another economic crisis if it did not address its debt problems soon. REUTERS

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# Media melts over Obama



ust being in the presence of Barack Obama elevated the stature of Stephen Harper last week.

It looked as though our prime minister had more purposes in life other than beating political opponents to death. One of his former cabinet ministers, Monte Solberg, has been saying that Mr. Harper needs a vision for the country, something other than damage control. Maybe this president can inspire him to think in loftier terms.

Mr. Harper handled himself impressively in his press conference with the new American megastar. Little of substance was acpresident can't recall the complished at their meeting — unless you wish to count that breathtaking committent to a new clean-energy dialogue. But the media didn't challenge the two leaders to demonstrate concrete signs of tion. Our own little Canadi-

progress. All that mattered No one wanted to was atmospherics and, spoil the fun ... from was a robust all the better by media compliance. success.

Barack Obama arrived right on the heels of committing another 17,000 troops to Afghanistan. For a president promising a new way, the escalation of a war as the first major foreign policy act was somewhat jarring. Haven't we seen this movie before, someone might have asked him. A president ups the ante, a war drags on, a

troops for fear that he and his country will look weak. The quagmire scenario results.

Afghanistan, if history is any indication, does not submit to foreign occupa-

an experi-Mr. ence. Obama might note, is just that What resulted was a another point of view, the meeting **good summit, made** added bit of evidence.

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questions? Forget about it. Harper escaped any questioning on his apparent reluctance to take issue with Guantanamo, specifically in the case of the Canadian, Omar Khadr. Mr. Obama has moved, thankfully, to shut down Gitmo, that appalling vestige of the Bush administration.

The issue of the NAFTAgate controversy, Canadian government's bit of leakage that hurt Mr.

Obama during his primaries' battle with Hillary Clinton, fortunately did not come up. It would have required some fancy footwork on the part of our PM. Nor did many other big differences between the two leaders — such as their positions on the Iraq war — impinge on the most friendly proceedings.

Bilateral relations were fantastic, the president and the prime minister said, not pausing to note that, for the first time in our history, passport requirements and armed men have become staples along the world's longest undefended border.

No one wanted to spoil the fun by pointing this out as well as a lot of other things. What resulted was a good summit, made all the better by media compliance.

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**Views** 

# Let's all give thanks to the hard-up CEOs who forego their stock options



One can imagine the heartrending scenes that have taken place in Canadian bank board meetings of late. CEOs, overcome with

attacks of guilt and propriety, plead with their fellow directors: "Please sirs, cut my pay, slash my bonus, and rip the stock options from my hands. How can I eat cake while my customers starve?"

The directors balk, arguing that the CEO has done an extraordinary job of pi-

loting a complex institution in difficult times. He has earned his fulsome compensation, they say, but then they grudgingly accede to his request. After all, it's optically better to be seen as public-spirited than parasitic — like those shameless U.S. investment bankers who use public bailout money to refurbish their offices — in a time of economic crisis.

One would like to think bank CEOs, indeed all corporate managements, are awakening to something bigger, however. It's the notion that business shouldn't always be purely about maximizing profit and shareholder value, or taking home the biggest compensation package, whatever the consequences.

Corporations, like it or not, are part of the social fabric, and they concede as much through their community involvement and philanthropy.

Particularly in hard times, it's fitting that companies temper the desire for growth and profit with concessions to the greater good.

For some companies, that might mean not having as many layoffs as possible; for others, it could be taking a pay cut.

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# Markets stumble

Hit by falling oil prices, poor retail sales

#### Another day, another nasty tumble.

After a dismal eight per cent drop last week, investors were looking for any signs of stability in the economy to break the market's fall. Instead, oil prices continued to tumble, talk about U.S. bank bailouts escalated, and a reading on Canadian retail sales showed consumers are keeping their wallets shut.

Investors scrambled for the exits yesterday as fears about the extent of the U.S. economic slowdown dragged the Toronto Stock Exchange to its lowest point of this cycle while the New York Stock Exchange hit 12-year lows.

"The market really needs something to grab onto to rule out a never-ending recession." CIBC economist Avery Shenfeld

"The market really needs something to grab onto to rule out a never-ending recession," said Avery Shenfeld, senior economist at CIBC World Markets.

Toronto's S&P/TSX composite index lost 302.32 points to close at 7,647.67 yesterday, marking a third straight day of declines. It blew past the lowest point of this market downturn, which was set last November 20 when it fell to 7,725.76 points.

Meanwhile, New York's

Dow Jones industrials fell 250.89 points to 7,114.78, partly on concerns the U.S. government will move to nationalize parts of the financial sector, such as troubled banks Citigroup and Bank of America.

Canadian retail sales plunged a deeper-thanexpected 5.4 per cent in December, taking their steepest monthly slide in more than 15 years, according to Statistics Cana-

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#### on the right track as far as its restructuring plan is

of General Motors Corp. is concerned, but serious discussions will still be required before the struggling automaker qualifies

**AUTOS** The Canadian arm

for emergency aid, Industry Minister Tony Clement said yesterday.

GM on the right track: Clement

The Canadian wings of GM and Chrysler presented their proposals last Friday to Ottawa to back requests for repayable loans

to help them survive the steep industry downturn.

Clement also said he was encouraged by the additional "long-term viability plan" forwarded to him by Chrysler Canada over the weekend. REUTERS

#### **Abu Dhabi state** firm bids for Nova

TAKEOVER Abu Dhabi stateowned International Petroleum Investment Co. launched a \$500-million US takeover bid for Nova Chemicals Corp. yesterday, a friendly deal to rescue the raw plastics maker from severe financial pressure due to its high debt.

Under the deal, valued at \$2.3 billion, IPIC is offering \$6 a share for all of the outstanding shares of Nova Chemicals.

Nova shares surged \$5.14, or 310 per cent, to \$6.80 in Toronto.

Nova is known for plants that make ethylene, polyethylene, styrene and its derivatives. The global economic downturn has cut demand for such materials.

#### In **brief**

**AUTOS** Ford Motor Co. reached a tentative deal with the United Auto Workers that would slash cash payments for its retiree health care. Meanwhile, European governments ruled out rescue plans for General Motors units Opel and Saab.

FRAUD Canada's banking and insurance regulator said yesterday it has limited the activity of Stanford International Bank Ltd.'s office in Montreal to help clients trying to recover assets. Allen Stanford was charged by U.S. regulators for running an \$8-billion US fraud. REUTERS

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These days, time is money. For creative ways to save on both, take a peek at lifehacker.com. This site offers clever solutions for a variety of everyday trials and tribulations, as well as more efficient ways to get things done, so you can work less and enjoy life more. In one post, we learned how to pack an entire vacation's wardrobe in a single carry-on bag, saving money on baggage fees (not to mention the money saved on Tylenol that accompanies lost luggage). In another post, we learned that the real cost difference between making homemade laundry detergent and buying it in for the grocery store is just pennies translation: Buy your detergent.

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And last but not least, check out Vancouver blogger May Globus. In her blog confessions-of-a-fashionfanatic.blogspot.com, May offers advice on how to

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# **Experts offer last-minute tips for investors**

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The RRSP deadline is fast approaching but you still have time to make a smart decision.

**Don't fly blind:** Look at your notice of assessment so you know how much contribution room you have so that you don't put in too little (and lose an opportunity) or too much (and suffer penalties).

Stick to what works: The a certified financial planlast minute is not the right time to try untested strategies or investments.

"It's important not to get swayed off your plan stick with your original strategy," said Mark Coutts,

ner with Sun Life Financial.

Don't make rash decisions: Buying the wrong investments just to "get it in" can lead to bad choices. "If you're in a rush, put the

into anything right away. Sit down with your adviser and make the appropriate long-term decision when you have the time," said Scott Ward, financial adviser with Edward Jones.

### Planning key for next year

**RAFAEL BRUSILOW** 

Even if you're going to miss the March 2, 10:30 p.m. deadline to contribute to your RRSP, experts say you shouldn't let yourself get discouraged.

Whether because of procrastination, a tough financial situation or another factor, missing the RRSP deadline can feel like a painful setback.

Scott Ward, a financial adviser with Edward Jones, says the most important thing after missing an RRSP contribution deadline is to make sure you don't do it again by analyzing why you weren't able to put away the necessary money.

"Make a budget. Take a real close look at what expenses you've got going out every month and what's preventing from saving for your retirement," Ward said.

Even making a small adjustment, like eating out less, can have a profound effect on saving you enough money to put towards your RRSP.

Mark Coutts, a certified financial planner with Sun Life Financial, says saving a little money on a monthly basis is a better strategy than trying to dump a large sum of money all at once into your RRSP when the deadline looms. If you dropped the ball this year, plan to make your RRSP contribution a monthly commitment next year after all, you're in this for the long term.

"If you miss the deadline, you've got the entire year of 2009 to look to the future," Coutts said.

Ward suggests that even if no new money is coming into your RRSP this year, now is a good time to review your portfolio and ensure your money is working for you.

Coutts says that while missing the contribution deadline can hurt, there are investment alternatives like the Tax-Free Savings Account, a Registered Education Savings Plan for your kids, or putting money towards your mortgage.

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Mike Richards tops Three Stars

#### Philadelphia Flyers forward Mike Richards, Florida Panthers goaltender Tomas Vokoun and Chicago Blackhawks goaltender Cristobal Huet were named the NHL's Three Stars for the week ending Feb. 22. METRO NEWS SERVICES

# Sports



### **Pistorius recovering**

South African double-amputee sprinter Oscar Pistorius is expected to be moved out of intensive care within a few days and may be able to return home as he responds to treatment for an injury sustained in a boating accident over the weekend. Pistorius, nicknamed the Blade Runner, had his legs amputated below the knee when he s 11-months-old because he had no fibulas.

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# Lemieux's second wind

**PERRY LEFKO** for Metro Canada

More than once in his career, Claude Lemieux has proven to be a renaissance

But few could have imagined he'd re-invent himself again as a National Hockey League player at age 43 and having been away from the game for more than five years.

After playing for parts of 20 years in the NHL before retiring after the 2002-03 with Dallas, season Lemieux made his return in January after the San Jose Sharks signed him to a contract. The Sharks had signed him to a minor-league deal in November with their American Hockey League team in Worcester, Mass., following a stint with two teams the Sharks own and operate in Asia.

Lemieux made the comeback feeling he still had something to contribute to the game, and to show a side of him to his two kids from his second marriage who really hadn't seen him play before.

Although Lemieux is playing only a few minutes a game on the Sharks' fourth line, he is enjoying the new lease on his hockey life.

"It reminds me of what it was like 🏻 when I first started in the NHL," he said. "You kind of start in the same place. The difference is, I know I can play at this level and be effective,

just go out and stay on the ice 15 seconds and jump off in fear that something happens. I can really impact and be effective, so that makes me feel really good."

Three times in his career he has scored more goals in the post-season than in the regular season. He is also one of only four players to win the Stanley Cup with three different teams.

> In 1995, he was awarded the Conn Smythe Trophy as the Most Valuable Player in the playoffs. He is also known for a



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1996 playoffs on Detroit's Kris Draper, who required major surgery after crashing face-first into the boards.

The Red Wings exacted revenge on Lemieux in Detroit in a regular-season game the next season.

When apprised of Lemieux's comeback, Draper told the Detroit News he wished him luck. Draper also said he has put the hit in the past.

Lemieux will face Draper for the first time since his return when the Sharks play in Detroit tomorrow in a game featuring the top two teams in the Western Conference.

"I don't think it would serve a good purpose to try to fuel the fire or stir things up," Lemieux said. "I always said, 'I never hit Kris Draper.' I hit a player that was there. I never went after

#### **Sports** in brief

CFL The Eskimos will make the official announcement today at Commonwealth Stadium that the 2010 Grey Cup game will be played here. CFL commissioner Mark Cohon, Alberta Premier Ed Stelmach and Mayor

Stephen Mandel will be on hand for the announcement. The event will keep the Grey Cup in Alberta for two years running, with this year's game slated for Calgary.

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# Sharks edge Stars

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**Devin Setoguchi scored** the game's lone goal and **Evgeni Nabokov stopped** 29 shots for his fifth shutout of the season, as San Jose clipped Dallas 1-0 at the American Airlines Center last night in Texas.

Nabokov recorded his 45th career whitewash for the Sharks, who have won four consecutive games and became the first team to reach the 90-point plateau. San Jose improved to 41-8-9 on the season, three points better than idle Boston for best record in the NHL.

Marty Turco made 23 saves in the setback for the Stars, who have dropped two in a row and were shut out for the fifth time this year.

The Sharks snapped the scoreless tie 7:55 into the third period. In full flight down the right wing, Setoguchi accepted a Ryane Clowe pass, rolled to the circle and beat Turco with a hard wrister.

Dallas' best chance to tie the game came shortly thereafter, with Brad Lukowich in the penalty box for interference.

A left-point shot from a Stars defenceman rang off the post, but the club couldn't control the rebound or mount any other



Setoguchi

chances on the advantage. Turco

quality

went to the bench for an extra attacker with 1:17 maining,

but the Stars didn't get close to Nabokov for an equalizer.

Nabokov was a perfect 19-for-19 through the first 40 minutes, and Turco countered by turning aside all 13 shots he faced.

#### Game notes

San Jose has won all four games against Dallas this season and has won five of the last six meetings ... Stars forward Mike Modano missed the game with the flu ... The Sharks continue their four-game road trip in Detroit tomor-METRO NEWS SERVICES

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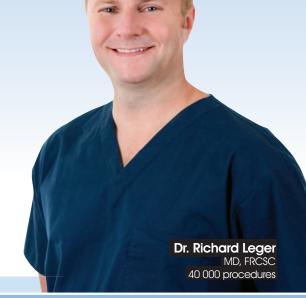
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# Kenney out, Torts in

**NHL** The New York Rangers fired head coach Tom Renney yesterday and hired former Tampa Bay head coach John Tortorella.

Tortorella won a Stanley Cup with the Lightning in the spring of 2004, but was fired in June of 2008 with one year remaining on

Renney

his contract. The Rangers, who also dismissed assistant coach Perry Pearn, have lost 10 of their last 12 games, including a 3-2 overtime setback at home against Toronto on Sunday. New York has a

record of 31-23-7 and is currently 10 points behind first-place New Jersey in the Atlantic Division. The Rangers are also sixth in the Eastern Conference playoff race with 69 points, just two ahead of ninth-place Carolina. Renney was the sixth NHL coach fired this season.

The Rangers opened the season with five-straight wins and finished October with a 10-2-1 mark, but have slid considerably since. In the past 12 games the club has scored more than two goals just twice, and the low point came in a 10-2 setback against Dallas on Feb. 6. METRO NEWS SERVICES



The Calgary Stampeders signed non-import defensive end Alain Kashama to a contract yesterday. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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# Wells out four weeks

#### Vernon Wells reported to Jays spring training last week looking to all like he was in great shape.

He cut the usual figure of a star athlete, and it was augmented by a new twist in his approach for the up $coming\ season — the\ hiring$ of a personal trainer who will work with him on a daily basis all season long.

All that — and his status for not only the opening of the Grapefruit League tomorrow, but potentially for opening day was thrown into uncertainty yesterday when the Jays revealed their centrefielder suffered a recurrence of the hamstring in-

jury that plagued him

last season. "He tweaked his hamstring again; he'll have an MRI and we'll know more (today)," Jays manager Cito Gaston said.

Wells won't be in centre tomorrow

the Jays open their Grapefruit League schedule at home against the Yankees. The question becomes how much time will he miss, and it's all but a certainty the club will take a very cautious, long-term approach with Wells.

"It is," Gaston said when asked if Wells's latest bout with hamstring trouble is a concern.

"I think the only good thing, and there's nothing good about this, but at least it's happened now. He

> has a chance to start the sea-Jays GM JP Riccia-

rdi estimated Wells's recovery time

to be

that he would miss the upcoming World Baseball Classic for the U.S. next month because his time on the disabled list last season makes it difficult for him to obtain enough insurance, based on the value of his \$126-million seven-year, contract.

long as four weeks.

of that yesterday.

the past season.

games collectively.

Wells will be treated over

the next few days, unless

the MRI shows a much

more serious condition that

but there was no indication

From there he will be

evaluated and re-evaluated,

but all the medical opinion

that's available to the club

won't change the fact that

Wells simply needs rest to

heal an injury that ham-

pered his performance over

Wells twice went on the

disabled list in 2008 — once

for a broken wrist and the

second for a hamstring pull

— and went on to miss 52

Wells revealed last week

would require surgery -

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#### **Sports** in brief

NEWS NBA Hall of Famer Charles Barkley was reportedly sentenced to 10 days in jail yesterday after he pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor charge stemming from his DUI arrest on Dec. 31. According to the Arizona Republic, Barkley will have five days of his jail sentence suspended if he completes alcohol treatment.

**CFL** The Toronto Argonauts re-

signed linebacker Willie Pile yesterday. Terms of the deal were not disclosed.

**NFL** In a stunning move, future Hall of Fame wide receiver Marvin Harrison has reportedly asked for his release from the Indianapolis Colts. A report on NFL.com said that after Harrison and the Colts failed to agree on a restructured contract, the eight-time Pro

Bowler asked for his release from the only team he has ever played for. His release would end one of the most successful quarterback-wide receiver tandems in league history. Harrison and Colts quarterback Peyton Manning have earned records for most completions (971), yards (13,090) and touchdowns (110) since the two began playing together in 1998.

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# Healthy food prices rising, report says

## Tips on how to eat nutritious meals while on a budget

There are "startling discrepancies" in the cost of basic, healthy food at grocery stores across Canada, according to a report released by the Heart and Stroke Foundation this month.

Some Canadians, depending on where they live, are paying between two and six times more money for the same grocery cart of healthy foods, the report found.

The cost of a package of whole-wheat pasta ranged from \$2 in Barrie, Ont., to \$11.37 in Dawson, Yukon.

To collect data for the report, the foundation recruited volunteer shoppers in 66 different communi-

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ties.

The discrepancies in the cost of healthy food across Canada and across provinces is startling, said Stephen Samis, director of health policy at the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

"Access to basic healthy food should be a right, not a privilege," Samis said. "Yet many Canadians have trouble affording, or even finding, healthy food where they shop. This is a problem that may get worse given the downturn

in the current economy."

A healthy diet is a key factor in preventing heart disease — the number one killer of men and women in Canada. Studies have shown that eating a diet rich in fruits, vegetables and whole grains can reduce the risk of heart disease by 30 per cent.

For Canadians looking for more ways to cut back on spending but not nutrition, registered dietitian Amanda Schwartz offers these tips:

• COOK SEASONALLY Fruits and vegetables that are in season are cheaper than off-season fare. In the winter season try buying cabbage, carrots, garlic, kale, leeks, onions, parsnips, apples, kiwi, bananas and oranges.

• PURCHASE FOODS THAT PROVIDE MORE BANG FOR YOUR BUCK Examples of fruits and vegetables that provide a high nutrient to price ratio include cabbage, carrots, oranges, bananas, frozen and canned fruits and vegetables.

• HAVE BREAKFAST FOR SUP-PER Eggs are a great, less expensive source of protein that can be eaten at any meal. Try making an omelette with a plethora of colourful vegetables and include whole grain toast or a sweet potato for a well balanced and filling dinner.

• DO THE PREP WORK Bagged salad mixes and pre-chopped produce may save time but that extra convenience will cost you.

• MAKE YOUR OWN SNACKS Popcorn is one of the most commonly recommended snacks by dietitians and is a snap to make. Buy an airpopper and make your own air-popped pop corn for a great low calorie snack. Also, try making your own trail mixes by getting wal-

When grocery shopping, look for foods that provide more bang for your buck like products that are high in nutrients.

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expert on light therapy warns. SAD is often treated with daily sessions of exposure to bright light.

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# Entertainment

**Taking it off** 

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# **Global Troubadour**

### International spotlight shines on hip-hop artist K'naan

**BRYAN BORZYKOWSKI** for Metro Canada

To many hip-hop loving **Canadians, Toronto rapper** K'naan is already a household name. His brilliant 2006 debut The Dusty Foot Philosopher put the Somalia-born musician on the map and his star continues to rise. But south of the border, the buzz is just beginning.

'I played a sold-out show recently and L.A. McConaughey Matthew and Tom Morello were there," he said excitedly from a tour stop in Oakland. "I hung out backstage with Wood Harris from Wire! I don't even know how these celebrities are hearing my music."

It's safe to assume that the Hollywood crowd heard about Kanaan Warsame from the countless profiles in places like Wired, Rolling Stone and the L.A. Times, but there's also a good chance they got their hands on a copy of the artist's stunning sophomore effort, Troubadour.

Recorded in Bob Marley's Jamaican studio, the disc expands on the socially conscious sound that's turned thousands of listeners onto K'naan. He once again mines his life from war-torn Somalia to Toronto — for material, while pushing his musical boundaries even further.

Besides rap, he tackles rock and reggae, even en-

#### K'naan in concert

 K'naan will be in Edmonton for a concert at The Pawn Shop on March 14. His latest album, Troubadour, was released this week.

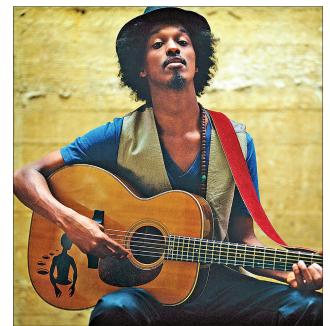
listing Metallica's Kirk Hammett on If Rap Gets Jealous for a guitar solo. "He did like seventeen guitar solos that we had to sift through and they were all great.

The diverse musical direction is definitely one of K'naan's selling points, but his passionate, and sometimes hard-to-stomach, lyrics are what really drives his music. One especially gripping track is Fatima,

about the death of a girl K'naan knew in his home-

"She was the most beautiful girl in my neighbourhood," he said. "Her young life was taken (during the war) and that's never going to leave you. I had to have some space from it for years before I could do anything about that experience, but I thought it was a gift for people to hear that song about her."

It's stories like these that explains why the international spotlight is shining bright on K'naan. But for many, rap revolves around the hardships in African-American ghettos, not warravaged Africa. So how does the Dusty Foot Philosopher expect his version of street



Somali-born, Toronto-raised hip-hop artist K'naan recorded his sophomore album at Bob Marley's studio in Jamaica.

life to be taken?

"I don't expect people to understand this," he said. "But there's a difference between feeling and understanding it. Music is so uni-

versal that the North Americans will feel the circumstances and get it in that way, even if they don't really understand where it's coming from."



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#### **Nild Roses**

Relationships are on the front burner in this new episode, which finds Charlotte falling more deeply into Jude's world, while Will and Lucy's romance heats up. Peter finds inspiration from his hospital roommate, and David finds a possible source of support for his attempt to take over Rivercross in "Sin and Redemption." 9 PM on CBXT



When an NCIS agent is killed, Gibbs and company venture into the desert in search of a woman who holds the key to finding the killer, Michael Weatherly, David McCallum and Paulev Perrette also star in the new episode "South by Southwest." 9 PM on KREM CITV

#### Homeland Security USA

In this new episode, a Coast Guard agent stops a guy driving a personal watercraft through a manatee zone. In a collision between him and one of the big sea mammals, guess who'd probably win. Elsewhere, the skipper of a package-laden fishing boat runs from officials when the boat hits shore. 9 PM on KXLY

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Not every star likes the red carpet. Some like to sneak in the back. "It's so much nicer. No one's screaming," Goldie Hawn said as she arrived at a loading dock behind the Kodak Theatre about 45 minutes before Sunday's Oscar show. msn.com

## **Celebrity Buzz**

# Madge flaunts new **boyfriend at Oscars**

over" her new boyfriend Jesus Luz at the Oscars, femalefirst.co.uk reports. The 50-year-old singer went public with the 22year-old Brazilian model for the first time, flaunting him at a pre-Academy Awards party last night.

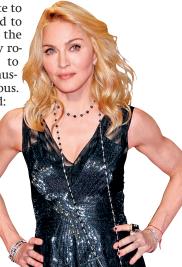
A source said: "She was all over him at the Grey Goose pre-Oscars party at Cecconi's in Los Ângeles. She was kissing his face off. Then she decided to invite him to join her at the actual bash — their first public outing together."

It was recently revealed

prove she is committed to Luz, following claims the Hung Up singer is only romancing the model to make her estranged husband Guy Ritchie jealous.

source said: "Madonna and Jesus have spent all week planning their outfits for Oscar night. Madonna is planning on using the Vanity Fair party to introduce Jesus to the world as her new boyfriend."

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#### **Beckhams** want to renew vows

**RELATIONSHIP** David and Victoria Beckham are planning to renew their wedding vows, femalefirst.co.uk reports. The soccer star and the former Spice Girl have told friends they want to celebrate their 10th anniversary in July with a lavish commitment ceremony. A source told Britain's Daily Express:



new their vows

#### Woman trouble for Winehouse?

**INCIDENT** Amy Winehouse's rampaging recuperation in the Caribbean continues, and the troubled singer can now reportedly add samesex home-wrecking to her list of hobbies. According to the Daily Mirror, a woman vacationing at the same St. Lucia resort was shocked to return to her hotel room and find her female partner in bed with the Rehab singer. "It was a horrible thing to have to see — her girlfriend and Amy all over each other like that," a source told the news-

paper.

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# **Awards show like** 'date' for Pitt, Jolie

COUPLE While Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie were making a glamorous appearance at the Academy Awards, what were their six children doing at home?

"Throwing spaghetti against wall," Pitt told People magazine on the red carpet at the Kodak Theatre in Hollywood. Which

was just fine with two of Sunday night's nominees — Pitt as best actor for The Curious Case of Benjamin Button, and Jolie for best actress Changeling. Neither picked up an award.

> 'We've been planning on this for months," Pitt like think of it more as a date." added

## **Travolta opens charity** in memory of dead son

FOUNDATION John Travolta has launched a charity in memory of his dead son, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The Hollywood actor and his wife Kelly Preston whose 16-year-old son Jett died from a seizure in January — have created the Jett Travolta Foundation to help children with medical and emotional

The 55-year-old star's official website says: "The Foundation shall endeavour to use resources



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needs.

cation, behaviour learning impairments or other special medical, environmental, health or educational Jett was found lying mo-

tionless in a bathtub on Jan. 2 at his family's Bahamas hotel. The teenager had a history of fits and it

anced a seizure and tell and hit his head. He was found by a caretaker and immediately rushed to a hospital, but was pronounced dead on arrival.

is believed he experi-

Jett was diagnosed with Kawasaki Disease when two. was

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# Anne has a ball at **Academy events**

PERFORMANCE During the Oscar show, Prince Charming — in the guise of host Hugh Jackman — swept Anne Hathaway into his arms. And, afterwards, she went to ball, the people.com reports.

The Academy's Governors Ball, that is, immediately following the Sunday night ceremony in the

Kodak Theatre. The evening was so rich that the Rachel Getting Married best actress nominee, 26, told People she had a hard time singling out favourite moment. "There's

many," she said quickly before amending her answer to, "I'd have to say being in Hugh Jackman's arms and him carrying me on stage."

Their number, part of a

satirical musical salute to the nominated movies in this case, Frost/Nixon, with Hathaway as the former president - was rehearsed for "about a week," she said.

"I didn't really have that much input for what went into it. They just said, 'Show us what you got,

and we'll work around that.' I'm a theatretrained actress, so that kicked in for the singing.
"I think I was

nervous for that performance and nervous about nomination that the two just cancelled other each out," she

> said. METRO NEWS SERVICES

# **Aniston takes** Brangelina in strides

Hawn avoids Oscar red carnet

**APPEARANCE** While Slumdog Millionaire piled up the Oscars Sunday night, Angelina Jolie and Jennifer Aniston defied expectations and piled on the smiles — as their dual appearance at Hollywood's night of nights was as smooth as the silk gowns that filled the Kodak Theatre, people.com reports. Jolie, of course, attended with her partner and fellow nominee, Brad Pitt, while his ex-wife, Aniston, was accompanied by her boyfriend, John Mayer. When it came to the seat-

ing arrangements in the Kodak, Mayer and Aniston were not far from Pitt and Jolie — just about 12 seats away. **METRO** SERVICES

## Nicole's pals welcome baby news

Nicole Richie and boyfriend Joel Madden have announced they are expecting a second child, their friends are brimming with well wishes for the couple, people.com reports.

"I'm so excited for Nicole," Paris Hilton told People at the first annual Leeza Gibbons Night to Make a Difference in Beverly Hills. And Hilton's mom, Kathy, has a hunch that Richie, 27, may be seeing blue this around. "I think it's going to be a boy," said Kathy. "I'm never wrong."

the cartilage be-

As for the expectant mom, "she's a cool chick," Chuck actor Zachary Levi, who worked with Richie when she guest-starred on the show, told People at the Fox Searchlight Oscar

party. "I think that they'll be a good unit

hopefully bring up their kids in a way where they are stand-up individuals who lead their generation into being a good one."

Actress — and mother of three — Angie Harmon said Richie's experience as a mom to one-year-old daughter Harlow will make parenting the second time around much

"She knows what she's doing since she already has one," Harmon said at Prince's party for his website LotusFlow3r.com.

Harmon also had a request for the fashionsavvy star: "Start a mater-

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### Rourke dishes on facial fixes

**SURGERY** Best actor Oscar cause the scar tissue wasnominee Mickey Rourke n't healing properly," Rourke said, acisn't happy with the cording to Gerplastic surgery he received to fix faman newspaper Die Welt. "That was cial injuries he inone of the most curred during his boxing career, saypainful operaing he "went to the tions, but wrong guy." the worst was hemor-"I had to have cartilage taken rhoids. from my ear to METRO

rebuild my NEWS nose and a SERVICES couple of operations to scrape out

#### Jackman grilled over gay rumours

**SEXUALITY** In her Oscar special, Barbara Walters grilled Hugh Jackman about persistent rumours that he is gay. Jackman said that when his wife would come see him in The Boy from Oz on Broadway, "She used to go to the bathroom ... and she would hear people going 'I know he's married, but I'm sure he is' ... she would yell out, 'He isn't!'" METRO NEWS SERVICES



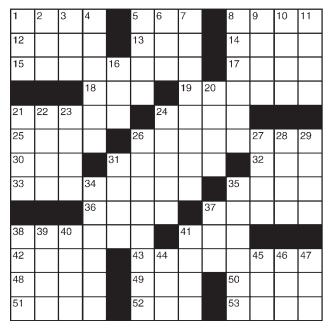






Michele McDougall. Weather Specialist & Host – Breakfast Television

# **Take Five**



#### Sudoku

**HOW TO PLAY:** Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

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#### **Crossword across**

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phony" composer

35 Faucet problem 36 Sleeping 37 Daily trio 38 One taking

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52 Trawler gear

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28 Satanic

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#### PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:

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# Metro Recipe of the Day 1 minute.

#### **Spicy Rice with** Chickpeas

#### INGREDIENTS

1 tbsp (15 ml) canola oil 1 onion, sliced 1/4 cup (50 ml) medium curry paste

1 cup (250 ml) basmati rice, rinsed

2 cups (500 ml) water 1 sweet potato, peeled and chopped into small

chunks 4 tomatoes, chopped 1/4 cup (50 ml) sultana raisins

14-oz (398-ml) can chickpeas, drained and rinsed

1/4 cup (50 ml) chopped fresh coriander 1/3 cup (75 ml) unsalted cashews, roughly chopped **METHOD:** 

1. Heat oil in large pot and fry onion over medium heat 8 minutes, stirring until pale golden. Add curry paste and stir-fry about

2. Stir in rice, then add water, sweet potato, tomatoes and raisins. Bring to boil, then reduce heat to simmer. Cover pan and leave on low heat 20-25 minutes, stirring occasionally, until rice is just tender and water has been absorbed. Add more water

cooked. 3. Stir in chickpeas and gently heat through. Stir in coriander, season to taste and scatter with cashews before serving.

if the mixture becomes

too dry before the rice is

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For nutritional information on this and other great recipes, go to rd.ca or check out Key Ingredients in this month's Reader's Digest, on



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#### **Horoscopes**

#### **ARIES MARCH 21-APRIL 20**

he will be effective.

Being subtle will get you more information. Something will cause you to feel breathless. A miserable man is strange but

#### **LIBRA**

**SEPT 23-OCT 23** There's a problem with a romantic encounter. You'll see that nothing can be done in a battle of wills. A religious remark will cause trouble.

#### **TAURUS** APRIL 21-MAY 21

A friend is in a difficult situation due to fascination. Concerns about leadership will dominate. You will experience a failure to communicate.

**SCORPIO OCT 24-NOV 22** 

Everyone wants you to do the dirty work. A little man will cause delays in reaching your goals. You know more than you think.

#### **GEMINI MAY 22-JUNE 21**

You're forced to discuss a tough issue. The changes due to an unusual event will please you. You'll be delighted when you achieve recognition.

#### **SAGITTARIUS NOV 23-DEC 21**

A whimsical friend overwhelms your senses. A sympathetic response will release you from a burden. A happy moment will be cherished.

#### **CANCER** JUNE 22-JULY 22

You want to be spontaneous but a latecomer gets in the way. You must shake off any masochistic moodiness. Parental interference causes a quarrel.

#### **CAPRICORN**

**DEC 22-JAN 20** There'll be intriguing phone calls made today. A private weakness will be revealed by a guilty person. Pay attention to someone who has a grievance.

#### **LEO JULY 23-AUG 23**

You're in the mood to clown around. Beware of a vexed person in a secret meeting. You'll surprise yourself during a presentation.

#### **AQUARIUS JAN 21-FEB 18**

A shrewd guy leaves you to pick up the pieces. Continue a discussion to clear up confusion. A wounded friend wants to re-establish a connection.

#### **VIRGO AUG 24-SEPT 22**

You'll have a meaningful encounter with a friend. Your loved ones will finally get back to normal. A brash young man really wants your approval.

#### **PISCES**

**FEB 19-MARCH 20** 



#### This day in history

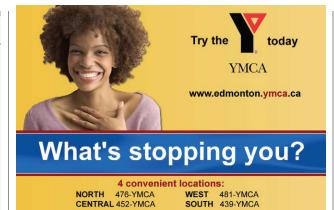
FEB. 24, 1868: The first parade to have floats is staged at Mardi Gras in New Orleans, La.

FEB. 24, 1917: World War I: The U.S. ambassador to the United Kingdom is given the Zimmermann Telegram, in which Germany pledges to ensure the return of New Mexico, Texas, and Arizona to Mexico if that country declares war on the United States.

FEB. 24, 1920: The Nazi Party is founded.

FEB. 24, 1981: Engagement of The Prince of Wales and Lady Diana Spencer announced.

FEB. 24, 2008: Fidel Castro retires as the President of Cuba after nearly fifty years. METRO NEWS SERVICES











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